

#### **BEERTAILS**

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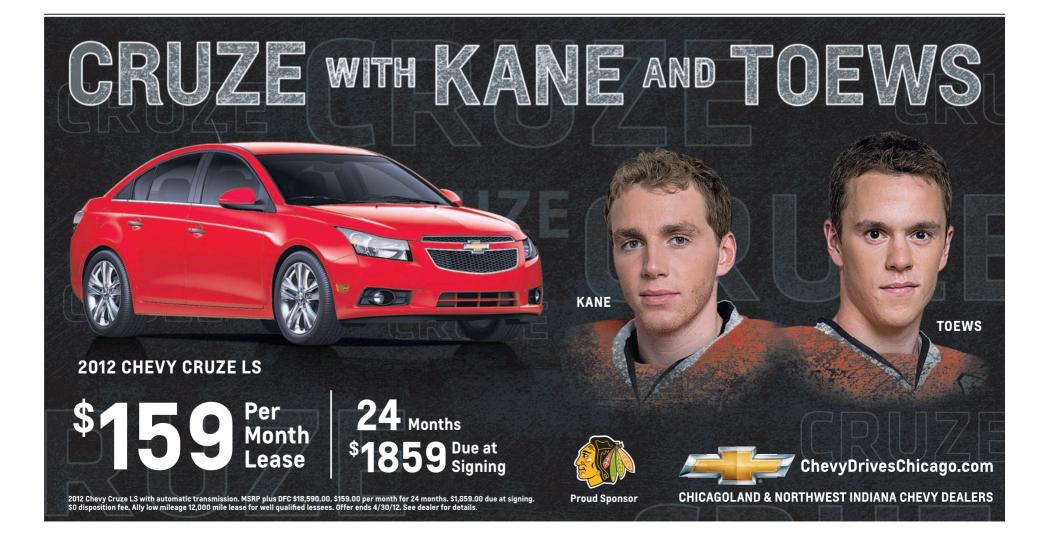
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#### **CNN**

**NEW YORK** Good news: This year's college graduates are being offered more jobs and fatter paychecks.

Members of the class of 2012 are being offered median starting salaries of \$42,569—up 4.5 percent from last year, a new report from the National Association of Colleges and Employers shows.

These employers have posted 15,767 job openings for college graduates this year—up about 10 percent from the 14,341 that were posted for the class of 2011 and more than triple the mere 5,174 job postings for the class of 2010.

But the competition is steep, with employers reporting that they have received nearly 33 applications for every job posting, up from 21 applications per posting last year.

The major in highest demand is engineering, with 69 percent of employers in that field saying they are hiring graduates. Business majors are next on the list, with 63 percent of employers hiring. Accounting, computer

science and economics round out the top five most-desired majors.

These also are the fields with the highest-paying jobs, according to a separate survey NACE conducted this year. Employers in each of these areas are paying median salaries above \$40,000 to this year's graduates.

Engineering jobs pay the most—with this year's graduates starting at a median salary of \$58,581, which is relatively unchanged from last year.

But even some of the jobs that don't typically pay as well posted increases in salaries this year. Education-related salaries increased 4.5 percent to a median \$37,423, while salaries in the communications field rose nearly 4 percent to \$40,022.

That's the median starting

salaries members of

the class of 2012

can expect.

### MAJOR MAJORS

The most in-demand majors, according to the National Association of Colleges and Employers. CNN

- 1. Engineering
- 2. Business
- 3. Accounting
- 4. Computer science
- 5. Economics

## True friends don't judge sex dreams



By the time you read this, I will have amassed 2,500 "friends" on Facebook. Ridiculous, right? I can't count to 2,500, even on a good day.

While I don't take Facebook and online privacy as seriously as some people do (I'll prove it: facebook. com/ernestwilkinscome say hey), I did recently find myself

wondering who these folks are. Who am I sharing the most intimate moments of my existence with? What does a "friend" even mean in the age of social media and all that jazz? (Yikes, that last sentence sounds like a title from a panel discussion I never want to attend.)

Let me break down the different levels of friendship, if only so you can check yourself before you wreck yourself. Call it the who and what of hanging out.

#### Level 5: The besties

These amazing human beings know everything there is to know about you ... and still answer your calls! You can talk about every possible topic—whether it's poop, love or some sort of disgusting hybrid with no judgment. They've heard about your occasional weird sex dreams about "Macho Man" Randy Savage and pulled pork-covered waffle fries and still love you! If you're still wondering if your buds are up to snuff, ask this question: "If I died tomorrow, could I trust that you would break into my house with the sole purpose of destroying my computer so my mom never finds out how totally disgusting I am?" If they say no or hesitate at ALL, they aren't Level 5. I'm on the hook for no fewer than three home invasions, because that's how my crew and I roll.

#### Level 4: Your goons

Not as close as the besties, these folks include your college buddies, the people you see at brunch every weekend and whoever's lucky enough to be in a long-term relationship with you. The main difference between the levels is that you can do absolutely



nothing with your Level 5 buds and have a blast, but Level 4 usually means that some kind of event or activity is needed to justify a hangout. Sadly, a lot of relationships stay here in life. It happens.

#### Level 3: Everyday livin'

Immediate vicinity co-workers. Friends of friends. People you spend St. Patrick's Day with, but not Black Wednesday, get me? Basically anyone you share experiences with and have no qualms about getting hammered in front of. These are the people you always promise "Ohhhh, let's get drinks soon!" But guess what? YOU NEVER DO.

#### Level 2: Business casual

This group is most of the people at your office, including your bosses and most other adults in your life. More often than not, your neighbors and anyone whom you "network" with reside here too. They'll "like" your FB status and say "happy birthday" via social media, but only because there's a built-in reminder system.

#### **Level 1: Strangers**

That guy who smells like pee and hash browns on the train. Those a-holes at the bar. Anyone who says "we" when referring to sports teams. Screw these people. You don't owe them anything and should live your life accordingly.

See? I hope that helps. Now, go forth and be the best bud you can be. Also, enough with the "let's get drinks/brunch soon" BS. Nobody's fooling anybody.

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## **PICTURE PARTY**

If you don't know what Instagram is, you probably don't own an iPhone. But that's about to change. The insanely popular photo-sharing app opened up to Android users on Tuesday and quickly became the talk of Twitter. Which reminds us, check out RedEye on Instagram at @redevechicago! For the new-or the veteran-Instagram users out there, here are some other accounts you might want to follow.



#### **Chuck Inglish** Instagram name: @OldInglish

One half of the Cool Kids. Chuck brings you into his world with his pics, ranging from beats to bites.



#### **NASA** Instagram name:

@nasagoddard What's cooler than sharing pics of things? Sharing pics of things in space, that's



#### **Ryan Plett** Instagram name:

@RyanPlett

A super stylish Chicagoan, Ryan always is willing to showcase his daily looks with his followers.

## THE DIGITS

How big is Instagram? In making Tuesday's announcement, the company released these numbers.

More than that number of photos has been shared.

That's how many photos are uploaded daily.

That's how many comments per second are being made.



#### **CORRECTION**

The April 25 Diggin' Dusties event at Maria's Packaged Goods & Community Bar is scheduled for 8 p.m.-2 a.m. and includes DJs spinning the latest vinyl available at Dusty Groove. A story on Page 19 on Tuesday incorrectly described the event.

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## TOP CHOPS, TUCKS, LIFTS AND PLUCKS

#### By Tracy Swartz

REDEYE Nearly 1.8 million cosmetic procedures were performed nationally on young adults last year, according to a report by the American Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, a plastic surgeons group. RedEye breaks down the top five cosmetic surgical proceduresabout 456,000 in 2011-and nonsurgical procedures-about 1.3 million—for people ages 19-34.

### SURGICAL PROCEDURES

- **»** Breast augmentation: 155,256
- » Liposuction: 96,099
- » Rhinoplasty (nose reshaping): 60,973
- » Breast reduction in women: 33,467
- » Breast lift: 31,064

### NONSURGICAL PROCEDURES

- » Botox: 375,162
- » Laser hair removal: 346,842
- » Hyaluronic acid (used to smooth wrinkles, plump lips, remove scars): 153,544
- » Microdermabrasion (skin exfoliation): 137,420
- » IPL laser treatment (hair removal): 84,001





## BOTOX BEFORE 30?

## New wrinkle in the beauty wars: More adults in their 20s are turning to the needle

#### By Tracy Swartz | REDEYE

As if 20-somethings didn't have enough to worry about between mounting college costs, troubling economic conditions and dwindling job prospects.

Now there's a new wrinkle: Their wrinkles.

The author of a new book about skin care recommends people in their 20s start getting preventive Botox to battle the onset of wrinkles. Some young adults already are facing this concern head-on.

About 375,000 Botox procedures were performed on adults ages 19-34 last year, up about 1 percent from 2010, according to recent statistics from the American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, a plastic surgeons group.

But one doctor says there's no age by which adults need to get Botox. In fact, "no one ever *needs* Botox," said Dr. Jill Weinstein, a clinical instructor of dermatology at Northwestern Memorial Physicians Group. She said potential patients need to sit down with dermatologists to determine whether Botox is right for them.

New York doctor Debra Jaliman, however, says if adults start getting Botox injections early, they won't have to undergo multiple procedures later to erase the appearance of lines.

"If you're someone who's going to care about lines, start early," said Jaliman, who wrote "Skin Rules: Trade Secrets from a Top New York Dermatologist," which was released last month.

Jaliman, 56, said she's been using Botox for 20 years and she no longer gets shots of the drug, which typically costs about \$375 for a single injection.

She said her clients range in age from their mid-20s to their mid-80s, but those who have waited to tackle their lines face the need for rejuvenation such as microdermabrasion and laser peels, which both remove the top layer of skin, in addition to the Botox.

If young adults are not quite ready to cross the line to injectables, which have been popularized on shows from the "Real Housewives" franchise to "Keeping up with the Kardashians," Jaliman said they need to look inward.

A diet deficient in protein and a lack of exercise can negatively affect the youthful look of skin, Jaliman said. Also, worrywarts should avoid the sun and facial exercises, which she said do not reduce the appearance of wrinkles.

"Your skin is a reflection of your overall health," she said.

Weinstein agrees that sun protection is the No. 1 key to skin health.

She said there are topical products with vitamins A and C that can improve the look of skin, but if a person is trying to get rid of deeper expression lines on their forehead, Botox probably is the way to go because it blocks nerves that affect muscle movement.

"You can't undo the lines that are already there," Weinstein said. "You can just prevent them from getting deeper in the future."

Weinstein recommends potential patients meet with a dermatologist to discuss their concerns and what treatments would be the best course. Weinstein said she typically sees patients in their 30s and 40s for Botox; those in their 20s are a rarity.

Still, there's no way to draw a line between those who should or shouldn't get Botox, she said.

"It's something you can't generalize. Everyone is different. It depends on genetics, sun damage, the kind of skin you have," said Weinstein, adding that Botox may be in order "if you're at a point where you're seeing lines of expression and you don't want them to get any worse."

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-Jaliman, who wrote "Skin Rules: Trade Secrets from a Top New York Dermatologist"

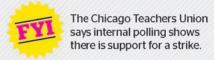
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## Mayor: Renovation on deck

#### M-Rahm says city, Cubs in 'final stages' of Wrigley deal

#### Chicago Tribune

Mayor Emanuel on Tuesday declared he's in the "final stages" of talks on a plan to renovate historic Wrigley Field, catching off-guard stakeholders from the North Side to City Hall to Springfield.

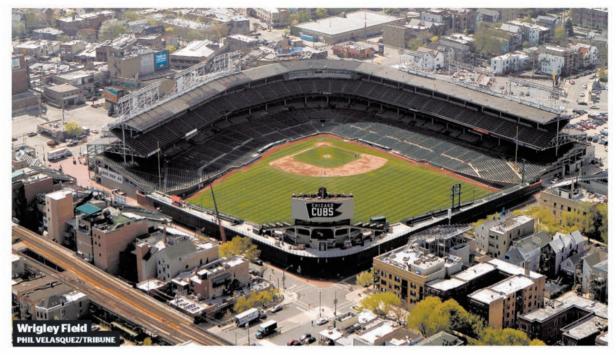
Lest too much hope spring eternal on the cusp of Opening Day, all parties involved cautioned a deal isn't imminent and several hurdles would have to be overcome.

"The conversations have been productive, but there is no agreement at this time," Emanuel spokeswoman Sarah Hamilton said hours after the mayor made his comments.

Emanuel in recent weeks has been pushing the need to rebuild Chicago. But the issues at Wrigley have lingered for years as two team owners have stressed the need to fix the crumbling ballpark and modernize amenities such as bathrooms, kitchens and concourses.

Previous owner Tribune Co. wanted the state to buy and fix Wrigley in 2007 when Rod Blagojevich was governor. That approach went nowhere, and details of the negotiations came out after the now-imprisoned ex-governor was criminally charged.

In late 2010, new Cubs Chairman Tom Ricketts struck out with his idea of using future gains in city and county ticket taxes to help pay for the stadium's face-lift. That, Ricketts said, would allow the family to invest \$200 million to develop land near the ballpark into offices, restaurants and retail.



#### WEATHER WATCH

Though Chicago's early spring weather has already been a win, meteorologists are predicting slightly cooler but still seasonably warm temperatures for baseball's Opening Day. Sunny skies and a high of 52 degrees are expected for Thursday's Cubs home opener. The White Sox home opener April 13 is already shaping up to be warm and sunny, with temperatures projected in the high 50s or low 60s. TRIBUNE

#### THE GOVERNOR SAYS ...

Gov. Quinn's administration has had little involvement in discussions at this stage and has yet to be approached with a plan. "We're waiting for details," Quinn said. "I've talked to the mayor in general about it, but I think most people would feel that it's important that the Cubs themselves, the team, put some money into their own stadium."

That idea has been a non-starter with Emanuel, and it didn't appear much had changed Tuesday when the mayor was asked about the status of Wrigley talks ahead of Thursday's season opener against Washington.

"I will not put my money in their field so

they can take their money and invest around the field and get greater economic value,"

But Emanuel didn't shut the door on tax money being used in some fashion. Now the mayor and the Cubs are trying to strike a deal

that would allow the team to use a portion of the amusement tax, along with money put up by the Rickettses, on the ballpark and development surrounding Wrigley, according to a source familiar with the negotiations.

The mayor wants the Ricketts family to put "some skin in the game," and guarantee that the city will receive a base level of annual amusement taxes and get some public use out of the development, the source said. The owners agree to that in principle, according to the source.

This is quite a privilege. It makes me proud of our team; the award is best new chef. but it wouldn't be possible without the team I have."

-Danny Grant, to the Tribune, after being named to Food & Wine's 2012 Best New Chefs list Tuesday. Grant, executive chef of the highly rated RIA restaurant inside the Waldorf Astoria Chicago hotel, was the only Chicagoan on this year's list of 10 new chefs.



#### **EXPRESS LINES**

- » Alonzo "Lon" Monk, a former chief of staff and close friend to former Gov. Rod Blagojevich, was sentenced Tuesday to two years in federal prison after pleading quilty to wire fraud.
- » A man and a woman and two young boys were injured when their car crashed as it was chased by police in Gresham late Monday, authorities said.
- » An Aurora attorney was aboard a single-engine plane that sputtered out of control and crashed into a supermarket north of Orlando, Fla., exploding into a fireball that injured five people, authorities said Tuesday.



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A copper cross was vandalized Tuesday at St. Mary of Perpetual Help Parish in Bridgeport.

## Vandals damage cross at Bridgeport church

#### **Chicago Tribune**

A copper cross that has stood at a Bridgeport Catholic parish since 1895 was vandalized overnight, police and the pastor said Tuesday.

"It's very shocking," said the Rev. Donald Craig, pastor of St. Mary of Perpetual Help Church in the 1000 block of West 32nd Street. "Crime occurs in every community, but this is such a recognizable religious object. It's very

Craig said he walked out of the church rectory around 7 a.m. to get the newspaper and discovered the nearly 7-foot cross "bent in half."

The pastor said it's possible the vandals were trying to steal the cross, which he valued at \$2,000, but believes they simply intended to deface it. "If they were trying to steal it, it would be gone," he said. "It's all bent out of shape and punched in."

Craig said the incident is particularly disturbing because it occurred during Holy Week, the days leading up to Easter. The pastor said the cross will be blessed during a Good Friday service.

### The case of the caramel burn

#### **Chicago Tribune**

A frozen yogurt store worker was burned on the arm when a "furious" customer threw hot caramel on him, but he later overheard the woman bragging about it at a Wicker Park Blue Line station and summoned police, who arrested her, officials said.

Pilar Pitts, 24, of Westbury, N.Y., was arrested hours after the incident Monday afternoon at Forever Yogurt, 1924 W. North Ave., police said. Pitts was charged with misdemeanor battery.

"She was extremely upset because the hot caramel splashed on her a little bit," Forever Yogurt spokeswoman Jamie Lynn said.

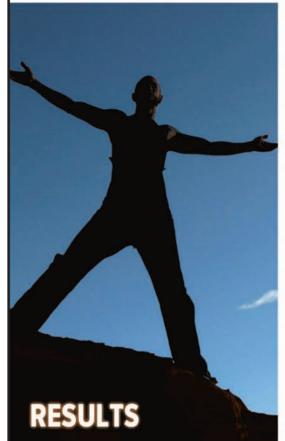
"But she went to another level and threw the hot caramel topping at our team leader and burned his arm.

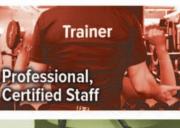
Lynn said the "furious" woman ran from the shop and the 21-year-old worker followed, yelling that he was calling police and was planning to press charges, Lynn said.

On his way home about three hours later, he spotted the woman at a Blue Line "L" station.

She was arrested after a short chase with the help of the officers who were nearby, Lynn

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#### **Romney sweeps** three primaries

Mitt Romney won Republican presidential primaries Tuesday in Wisconsin, Maryland and Washington, D.C., The Associated Press projected. The results dealt a major blow to Rick Santorum's campaign. мст рното

#### **Embattled police** chief retires

Florida A&M University announced the retirement of its police chief Tuesday, less than a week after school leaders learned that two music professors were alleged to be present during a student hazing held in 2010 at the home of one of the professors.

#### **France backs West African bloc**

France had been pushing for the U.N. Security Council to issue a statement on Mali on Tuesday to show its support of a 15-state West African bloc's efforts to find a solution to the escalating crisis.

#### **Archives site back** up after crash

A National Archives website that crashed with the release of 1940 census data was back up on Tuesday after it had been swamped by people looking for family information. The website saw 22.5 million hits in the first four hours it was up Monday.

#### **Officials: Shooter** felt wronged

A former student suspected of opening fire at a small Christian college in California, killing seven people and wounding three, was targeting a school administrator and former classmates who he felt had treated him unfairly, police said Tuesday.

#### Yep, it's a car that can fly

Terrafugia, makers of Transitionthe world's first flying car-has released video of a production-type prototype flying over Plattsburgh, N.Y. The video is posted on terrafugia.com.



Smashed cars lay in debris in Dallas after a tornado ripped through the area Tuesday. REUTERS

## **IWISTERS HIT DALLAS**

Tornadoes ripped through the Dallas-Fort Worth area Tuesday, tossing tractor-trailers like toys, forcing airlines to cancel flights and causing widespread damage to homes and other structures.

Jonathan Cook said he was in a bank in south Fort Worth when the storm rolled in and he decided to leave. He went to a nearby gas station, where he ran into a friend whose window had been blown out and a National Weather Service worker with a radio who told them tornadoes were touching down nearby.

"A girl said 'Look up.' And there were two funnel clouds that touched down about an eighth of a mile up from us, and debris was flying and we were trying to decide where to go.

"About that time, she said, 'Look behind us'-and a third tornado formed behind us but hadn't touched down," Cook said. "And about three minutes after that, the sirens started sounding.'

CNN affiliate WFAA broadcast striking video of damage, showing tractor-trailers being lifted and turned through the air like matchsticks. Ominous clouds filled the skies, making it as dark as night. The network showed roofs of homes ripped off and trailers turned on their sides.

One tornado was spotted on the ground five miles east of downtown Dallas, the National

#### **DID YOU SEE THAT?**

Among the most dramatic images of the day were from a freight truck depot on the south side of Dallas, where one twister flung semitrailers high in the air and hundreds of feet from their parking spots. About 65 people work at the site, and about 300 truckers pass in and out every day, a spokeswoman said.

Weather Service said. Flights at area airports were affected.

Severe damage was reported in Arlington, Texas, and the mayor of the city signed a disaster declaration to help cope with the destruc-

"It's extensive damage," said Tiara Richard, a spokeswoman for Arlington police. No major injuries had been reported, she said.



#### **THE DIGIT**

## 198,50

A whiskey made to mark the 60th year on the throne of Britain's Queen Elizabeth II is on sale in Singapore for a mere \$198,500 a bottle. Only 60 bottles of Diamond Jubilee were made by the Johnnie Walker unit of Diageo PLC.

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## Let's play ball

RedEye sims the Cubs and White Sox seasons to get a sneak preview of 2012

By Ryan Smith I FOR REDEYE

Wait till next year might be the eternal cry of fans of Chicago's baseball teams, but the uncertain shape of the Cubs and White Sox already have some talking about 2013 before a single meaningful pitch has been tossed this season. Is it possible the media and fans are writing the eulogies of these two rebuilding franchises too soon? To find out if hope should spring eternal once again, RedEye simulated the upcoming season using the video game "MLB 2K12." RYANSMITHIS A REDEVE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR.

### **WHITE SOX**



#### RECORD: 82-80, 2ND PLACE IN THE AL CENTRAL, 2.5 GAMES BACK

Manager Ozzie Guillen and former ace Mark Buehrle may have ditched the South Side for South Beach, and the Sox's lineup may have more holes in it than a pair of your grandfather's old socks, but give the team credit for scrapping its way to respectability. According to RedEye's sim, the Sox will break .500 and give the Tigers a run for first place in the always underwhelming AL Central up until the final week of the season. The Sox's new slogan: "Hey, We're Totally OK!"

#### **PITCHING STUD**

**John Danks** 19-5, 2-94 ERA, 105 K's After a ho-hum 2011, this left-handed starter reverses course with an out-of-nowhere season that has the Sox saying "Danks a lot." His strikeouts have declined a lot since racking up 162 in 2010, but his ERA and run total go way down, resulting in Danks finishing fifth in AL Cy Young voting.

### PITCHING DUD Jake Peavy 4-3 record, 4.10 ERA, 63 K's

It's not as if Peavy pitches poorly in 2012, it's that his body is like the real-life version of the board game Operation. He sustains a groin pull, shoulder strain and broken finger and manages just 15 starts. Is it too late to give him the nickname "DL"?



### HEAVY HITTER Paul Konerko

.254 BA, 31 HR, 87 RBI

At this point, Paulie K going for 25 home runs and 75-plus RBIs is like the sun rising in the east. He might be slowing down a hair, but even at 36, the guy can still rake.

### BUSTED Adam Dunn

.209 BA, 16 HR, 49 RBI, 112 K's What's worse, that a .209 average would be considered a rebound year for the man who should be renamed Adam Done, or that he ends up getting traded after the All-Star break to Baltimore for backup second baseman Robert Andino? You decide.

### **CUBS**



#### RECORD: 72-90,5TH PLACE IN THE NL CENTRAL, 22.5 GAMES BACK

The good news for the Cubs is they won't be the crappiest team in the NL Central. That title goes to the hapless Houston Astros. The bad news is they'll be pretty close. The North Siders start the simmed season on a sour note with an 8-17 record in April and don't get much better. They manage a 14-11 July to sneak into third place at the All-Star break but slump late and lose the final seven games of the year to guarantee the third-worst record in the National League. On the bright side, tickets at Wrigley Field might be available at Wal-Mart-like discount prices by season's end.

#### **PITCHING STUD**

**Carlos Marmol** 2.68 ERA, 72 K's, 46 saves in 49 opportunities Marmol continues to be stuck in a strange pattern of having dominating seasons every other year. After regressing in 2011 and blowing 10 saves, the Cubs closer blows only three in 2012, finishing third in NL Reliever of the Year voting.

#### **PITCHING DUD**

#### Chris Volstad 6-13. 5.02 ERA. 140 K's

Volstad switched places with former Cubs ace Carlos Zambrano and, unfortunately, pitches like Big Z circa 2011. On the upside, Volstad was much nicer to Gatorade coolers than Zambrano ever was.

#### **HEAVY HITTER**

#### Alfonso Soriano .261 batting average, 28 HR, 81 RBI

Soriano's season is deceptive because the Cubs' Jekyll and Hyde outfielder is inhuman in the first half of the season, hitting .308 with 24 HR, 63 RBIs and a trip to the All-Star Game. The second half? He misses 50 games with injuries and can't hit a lick the rest of the way.



#### Starlin Castro

.269 BA, 6 HR, 57 RBI, 28 SB, 15 errors

His defense may be much improved, but the Cubs young starto-be takes a massive step backward at the plate, essentially managing the same numbers as new centerfielder David DeJesus. Ouch.

### WRIGLEY CHANGES READY FOR OPENING DAY

New players, new manager, new front office. But the same old ballpark? Not exactly. There are also some changes at Wrigley Field for the 2012 season. TRIBUNE

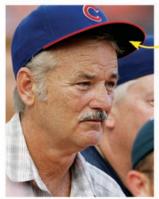


#### What's new around the ballpark?

The "Noodle" (a giant yellow elbow macaroni advertisement) has been moved to the corner of Clark and Addison. It sits in front of the new Cubs Store, which will be open from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. It will sell game-used baseballs, bats, bases and pitching rubbers, among other items. Also, Wrigley's exterior has a new look, with banners of Cubs players adorning the facade.

### Will the new right-field Budweiser Patio be ready on Opening Day?

Yes, the Cubs say it will be ready to go for Thursday's game against Washington. So will the new Audi Legends Suite, which is along the first-base side. Anyone can rent the suite, accommodates up to 14 people.



Who will throw out the ceremonial first pitch?
Bill Murray will throw out the first pitch. The Chicago native is a lifelong Cubs fan and even named one of his sons Homer Banks Murray, in honor of Cubs Hall of Famer Ernie Banks.

## What are other physical changes are inside the ballpark?

A plan was announced

during the Cubs Convention to re-make the right-field bleacher area to include a patio and a new 75-foot LED board. The intention is to add a modern-day feature while maintaining the quaintness of the old manual scoreboard in center field. Player stats, pictures and pitch counts will be available on the new video board.

#### Any truth to the rumors that there will be changes to the rotation of celebrities singing "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" during the seventh-inning stretch?

A Cubs spokesman said no changes to that tradition are planned. Murray will sing during the seventh inning on Thursday. Wayne Messmer will sing the national anthem before the game.

## Rose can't be chicken of LeBron



It was only a month ago that I decided to branch out from my usual Harold's Chicken on Milwaukee Avenue to seek out the others on a monthly basis. Since No. 1 is gone, I charted a course for Harold's No. 2, and though I like the idea of marching one by one through Chicago's fried chicken king, on Monday I

skipped ahead to No. 45 to pay homage to the restaurant's wall-size Derrick Rose mural.

Painted in early 2011, the mural portrays Rose in uniform facing his franchise's retired jersey banners at the United Center over the caption "The Rising Star."

No kidding. Not long ago, Rose was an NBA youth whose team needed furious finishes to even sniff the postseason.

Now the Bulls are favorites, staring down the standings at the Heat, Magic, Celtics and the rest of the conference. And in their final 11 regular-season games, they play all of their likely East playoff opponents, with two games against New York, one each against Boston and Indiana, and two against the team's personal Pistons, Miami.

What makes Miami such a worthy obstacle for the Bulls is, curiously, the same element that makes me doubt the Heat's championship credentials: LeBron James, that imposing basketball mutant with arms stretching from South Beach to the Mag Mile.

Can Miami win a title if its MVP flakes in the fourth quarter? It's doubtful. And yet, for all of James' late-game offensive struggles, it was his defense on Rose in last year's playoffs, particularly in the fourth game, that ended the Bulls' season.

Every time I've watched these two men this year I've come away thinking, "LeBron can't do it late. And that is Rose's time!"

Yet even when James' head isn't all there, his ungodly arms remain.

The Bulls have now played 11 straight games without Rose, winning seven. Impressive, yes, but that won't work in the playoffs, not in the first two rounds and definitely not against Miami. LeBron is the mountain our star must scale.

What will the city say when we look back at the 2012 Bulls? My guess? Derrick rose.

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How did you react when **Rip Hamilton started** Monday night's Bulls game?

Torn.

I immediately broke my nose and the noses of the closest people to me. Matching mask night!

Stretch? That's what my dad

I didn't. I was too busy crying

over D-Rose's groin.

short-lived. As a fan of the "Twilight"

"That doesn't sound right," then I just hoped for a win.

I first thought "It's that time

of the month," then I was like

What should Hamilton do to avoid injury in the future?

Get better quards.

always told me. That and, "Stop snitching."

Change his name. Going by "Rip" is just tempting fate.

books, vampire venom could do it. Otherwise: Got milk?

Like I did for Rue in "The

Hunger Games," excited but

knew her presence would be

Go back to 2002.

How can you tell Opening Day at Wrigley Field is just a day away?

Cubs fans are just starting to get up.

What, you don't smell that?

The temperature is set to plummet 30 degrees.

The three B's: babes, beer and bison (dogs) are bountiful at 1060 W. Addison.

Too easy: The L flag's all pressed and ready to go.

Adam Dunn's had a good spring. What's that mean?

He's flexible now.

He's preparing me for a long season of raised expectations and overwhelming booze consumption.

He made contact with the ball at least once.

The White Sox (and my fantasy baseball team) may not be as "Dunn" as critics think. He might actually bat .175

**How did Kentucky** celebrate its NCAA title game win?

By going to court.

Instead of cutting the net, they took a weed whacker to Anthony Davis' eyebrow.

By whining about the pay cut they're going to take when they head to the NBA.

Kentucky cuisine of course: hot browns, derby pie and KFC. Bypass surgery optional.

John Calipari immediately forfeited the title in anticipation of an inevitable NCAA investigation.





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#### Nike swooshes in to give Bears unis a streamlined look

The Bears will look different next season. And not just because they'll have new players on the field.

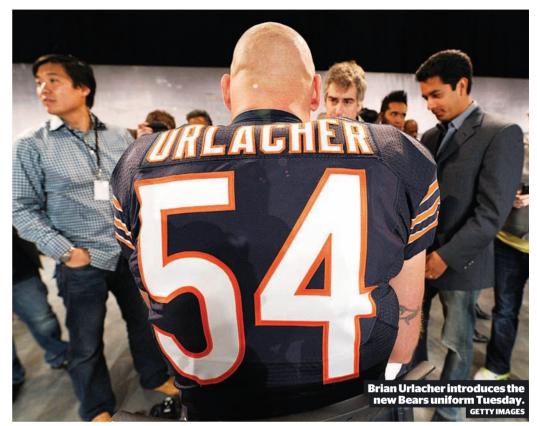
The Bears—along with the 31 other NFL teams-are getting new uniforms, adorned with a Nike swoosh instead of the Reebok logo.

The new gear was unveiled Tuesday in New York, where the Bears' blue home jerseys and white pants were trotted out by linebacker Brian Urlacher. The tighter-fitting, lighterweight gear is the same type worn by many college teams.

Urlacher tweeted his approval, saying: "new jerseys are sweet...Classic Chicago Bears look."

The colors and number font don't change in the updated Bears uniform, but some of the striping, fabric and fit do change in Nike's design. Uniform numbers move from the sleeves to the shoulders. The sleeves add an extra orange-and-white stripe and feature a more prominent "GŜH" tribute to founder George S. Halas.

Foam padding is built in to the jerseys and pants and is customizable to player needs. All uniforms come with built-in knee, thigh and belt padding. Players can add extra padding for their ribs, shoulders and tailbone.







#### Tiger's march begins early

Tiger Woods, fresh off a win, begins his quest for a 15th major tournament victory Thursday when he tees off at 9:35 a.m. at The Masters. Woods, who won the Arnold Palmer Invitational two weekends ago, is grouped with Miguel Angel Jimenez and Bae Sangmoon for the first two rounds.



no? So I did it." Props for honesty.

movie "Kazaam" in 1996? Thanks to GQ, we finally have the answer. "I was a medium-level juvenile delinquent from Newark who always dreamed about doing a movie,"

he told the mag. "Someone said, 'Hey, here's \$7 million,

come in and do this genie movie.' What am I going to say,

can you? Why did basketball superstar Shaquille O'Neal make the crap fantasy-comedy

blame Shaq,

Can't



**COPS AND JOCKS Derrick** Nix Michigan State junior forward Derrick Nix was arrested

in East Lansing, Mich., on Monday night on charges of marijuana possession while operating a vehicle, according to the Lansing State Journal. Both charges are misdemeanors. Spartans coach Tom Izzo suspended Nix indefinitely in response. Harsh, Tom, harsh.















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**Soul singer connects** with strangers while confronting fameeven if he's not 'properly equipped'

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Willis Earl Beal has a biography that sounds as if Charles Bukowski could have penned it. Beal's lived a harsh life, drifting between countless miserable part-time

jobs, the military (he enrolled in the Army for a short time) and homelessness.

In recent months, however, the 28-year-old singer's once-bleak prospects have improved dramatically. He just released his debut album, "Acousmatic Sorcery," a lo-fi effort that veers between beat-poet blues, bruised soul and art-rock weirdness, and his name and story have appeared in outlets as diverse as Pitchfork and GQ.

The former Englewood resident, who now makes his home largely on the road ("I don't really live anywhere these days.") and will appear at this summer's Pitchfork Music Festival, opened up about sharing a label with Adele, auditioning for "The X-Factor" and trepidation over his quick ascent.

#### What's your mindset at the moment? I imagine the attention has to be a little overwhelming.

I suppose you'd expect a person to be really happy and excited at this point, and I guess for all intents and purposes I am. But ... I don't think I was properly equipped for this kind of thing, especially with touring and seeing yourself on the Internet. I'm having some identity issues, and also some priority issues I'm trying to iron out.

#### What does the phrase "Acousmatic Sorcery" mean to you?

The "Acousmatic" part, I guess that's just the combination of acoustics and electrics—an old process with new ideas. Then "Sorcery," like, everything that's happening now I preconceived. I thought about it all before

## BEAL PERSONALITY TEST



What's the last album you bought?
Tom Waits, "Bad As Me"

Song you've listened to on repeat recently? Something by Philip

Glass. I've got this thing called "The Glass Box" and I alternate within that.

Song you never want to hear again? Lady Gaga, "Born This Way"

**Best concert you've seen in the last year?** I don't like concerts, but ... my own.



New band you don't know personally that deserves to be big? I don't really know any new bands.

Favorite movie ever? "Synecdoche, New York"

Chicago's best music venue?

You know, I don't get out much. Let me think. I guess Chicago's best music venue would have to be the Jackson "L" stop.



it happened. I interviewed myself countless times and sang to audiences when really there was nobody there. It's not as though I thought I knew what was all going to happen, but I conceived it so vividly at the time ... that it seems like I built up enough energy to where it had no choice but to happen. It was never this thing where I thought I had this fantastic, glorious ability. I still don't. At best I'm a pretty good singer, an OK lyricist and a [bleep] musician. But I do have a very clear vision of how I want things to sound and how I want things to look. I think I'm a credible artist, but like all things I think it's more hype than anything, personally.

#### Is it surreal to be on the same label as Adele?

I suppose it is, but when I think about the trajectory and the stuff that I've been through, then not really. It's no more surreal than all the other stuff that's happened.

#### What was your life like at this time last year?

My girlfriend had just broken up with me and ... I was on my way to Chicago, crying on the airplane. When I got back to my grandmother's house, for dramatic effect I suppose, it was raining. That summer was probably the worst summer of my life. I couldn't find a job. I couldn't sleep by myself, really. I couldn't listen to the radio. I couldn't listen to music. Everything reminded me of Jessica. It was just bleak.

#### How did you pull yourself out of that funk?

I didn't, really. I had this little Schwinn bike that I keep being photographed with, and I'd ride that all over Chicago. I was never the type to ride really fast anyway, and I had nothing but time. I'd go to this abandoned warehouse on 22nd and Ashland ... and drink beer and eat whatever it was my grandmother had fixed in a Tupperware bowl. But eventually I ended up trying out for "The X-Factor." I think this was last summer, if I'm not mistaken. I got four yes votes and they sent me to Pasadena, Calif. I went out there, [bleeped] it up ... and came back into town. To make matters even stranger, my ex-girlfriend called out of the blue and we started talking again and things started going up, up, up, up.

#### Do you ever regret putting your phone number out in public? (Beal's number is available on his official site, and he used to post it on fliers he distributed around Chicago.)

No, I don't. There have been times I was feeling bad and someone would call and tell me they were feeling bad and tell me to sing them a song. I'd sing them a song and they'd tell me they were feeling better. ... A guy from Greece called me ... and he was telling me about what a hard time he was having. You want to talk about surreal. That was surreal. Not being on the same label as Adele.

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## Minaj reloads—and almost hits bull's-eye

#### **By Matt Pais**

REDEYE SOUND BOARD

No, Nicki Minaj still hasn't made an album that consistently brandishes her best asset. (Not that one, dude.)

I'm fine with that.

Of course, it would be great if Minaj uncorked the jaw-dropping skills flashed in guest spots on Kanye West's "Monster" for an entire record. In its most exhilarating moments, her flow sounds like a rap roller coaster with a mad scientist running the controls.

Still, "Pink Friday: Roman Reloaded" lands closer to the center of the target than its predecessor, "Pink Friday." As if wanting to make sure people don't accuse her of skewing too closely toward radio-friendly R&B such as the boring "Pink Friday" single "Right Thru Me," "Roman Reloaded" opens with a six-track stream of crazy.

Minaj's vocal dexterity skips over beats both banging ("Roman Holiday") and squeaking ("HOV Lane," which resembles Childish



Pink Friday ...
Roman Reloaded

Gambino's "Bonfire" while she raps about tipping "big-booty strippers"). Yet the album should almost be divided into suites, since the next few tracks signify a downshift into dry R&B flavors ("Champion" with Nas, Drake and Young Jeezy, "Right By My Side" with Chris Brown) and sexual boasting ("Sex in the Lounge") that already sounds crass and derivative before Lil Wayne guests.

The disc's back half mostly turns into a Britney album, albeit one featuring a few killer verses (such as the centerpiece of the otherwise childish "Whip It") and subject matter more explicit but no more complex. A maneater with an occasional streak of vulnerability, Minaj doesn't have much to say



(even on "Marilyn Monroe," another person experienced with a variety of contrasting personalities and intense public opinion), but awesomely irresistible cuts such as "Starships," "Pound the Alarm" and "Va Va Voom" represent pure dance floor domination, regardless of who's on the mic.

The rapper's absurd performance of "Ro-

man Holiday" at the Grammys showed she shouldn't try to be a dramatic sibling to Lady Gaga. Minaj's voice and vocal gymnastics achieve more than outrageous costumes, theatrical storylines and high-priced cameos ever will. Hope that one day she owns an entire album; for now, just enjoy how she owns the party. MPAIS@TRIBUNE.COM | @MATTPAIS







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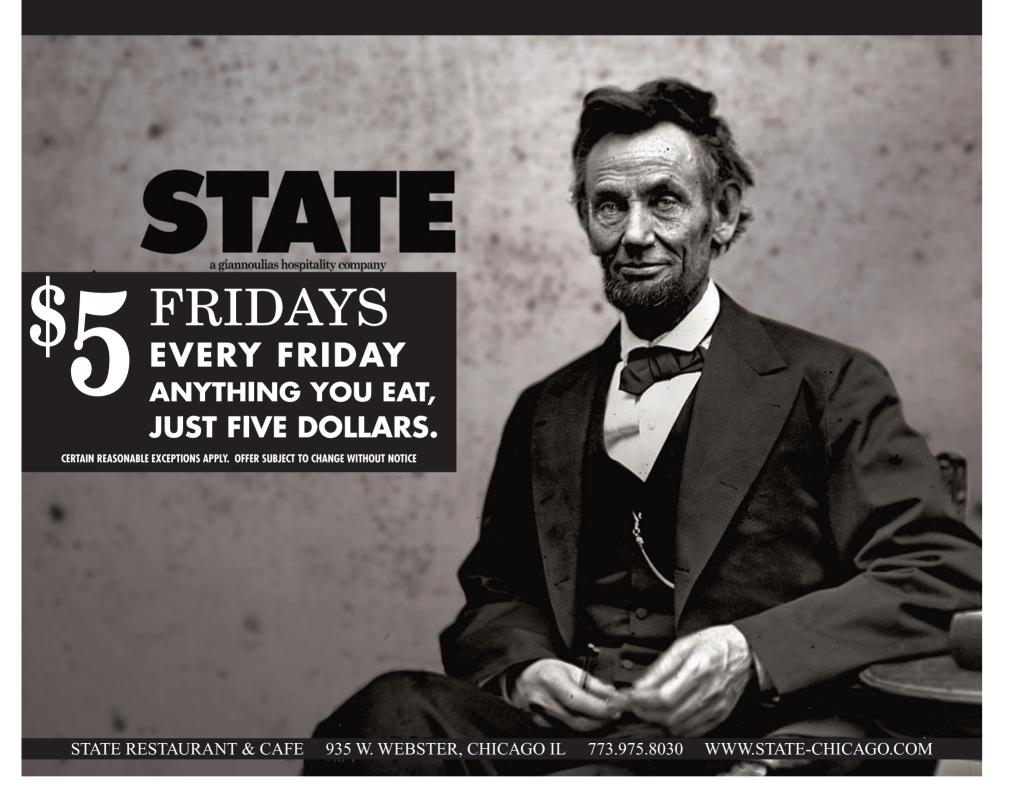
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## All-American Rejects are OK with growing up

#### Reuters

After a decade of carefree, feel-good poprock, the All-American Rejects are growing up and embracing their softer side in their new album, "Kids In The Street."

Despite 10 years of making music and touring together, it wasn't until recording this fourth album that the Oklahoma quartet—frontman Tyson Ritter, drummer Chris Gaylor and guitarists Mike Kennerty and Nick Wheeler—finally learned their identity as individuals and as a band.

"This [album] is definitely the bravest thing we've done, but it's also the first time we felt brave enough to do it," Wheeler said.

"Kids In The Street" sees the Rejects move away from the carefree pop-rock sound of their past three albums, reserving their trademark sound only for the record's cheeky lead single, "Beekeeper's Daughter," and the country-rock inspired "Walk Over Me."

The rest of the album marks a coming of age for the band, especially frontman Ritter, 27, who drew on his own relationships and life experiences on tracks such as "Bleed Into Your Mind," "I For You," and the second single, "Kids In The Street."

"That reflection really brought back my identity of who I am, as a man who has crossed that 25 mark," he said. "The quarterlife crisis is something I think can cripple us all, but to find out what life's about, you have to go through it."

The band has recruited a few other artists for the album, including British singer Mika on "Heartbeats Slowing Down" and fellow Oklahoma musician Audra Mae on three of the tracks including "Fast & Slow." But they dislike the current trend of musicians collaborating for what they feel are purely com-

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mercial purposes.

"We found a couple of really unique voices that had a home on those songs, and it was because we come through a lot of people, and unfortunately, we've picked the ones that aren't your Taylor Swifts, but they're great talents," said Wheeler, 31.

Added Ritter: "We're into something that we believe. And when the opportunity arises where we believe in the collaboration, then we'll embrace it wholeheartedly."

The All-American Rejects emerged into the music scene at a time when the mainstream industry was dominated by alternative rock bands such as Limp Bizkit, Blink 182, The Offspring and Sum 41.

The Rejects, however, have maintained a steady output of music and tours, producing a new record every few years and finding themselves with a hit single from each of their albums—2002's "Swing, Swing," "Dirty Little Secret" from the 2005 record "Move Along" and "Gives You Hell" from their 2008 album "When the World Comes Down."

With more than 2.3 million fans on Face-book and 52,000 followers on Twitter, All-American Rejects have built a steady fan base on social media but are hesitant to expose themselves completely.

"We didn't start this because we wanted to open up our personal lives," Ritter said, "we just wanted to open up our hearts in our songs and that should be good enough."



### **ON SALE** \*= Matt Pais' recommended shows

#### **ON SALE NOON FRIDAY**

**Beat Connection, White** Arrows, Thursday, July 12 (\$10-\$12, 18+) at Schubas.

Johnny Clegg, Wednesday, July 11 (\$25, 21+) at Lincoln Hall.

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ages) at Space.

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\* Marina and the Diamonds. MSMR. Saturday. July 21 (\$22, all ages) at Park West.

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#### VICTORIA'S SECRET SUPERMODEL ERIN **HEATHERTON STEPS OFF THE RUNWAY**

#### **Chicago Tribune**

By the time this grueling day of looking fabulous ends, Erin Heatherton will have said the phrase "Very

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Sexy" upward of 20 times, narrowly dodged a kiss on the lips from an overexuberant morning show host and been bumped from a TV news appearance by live footage of a disgraced ex-governor.

Her day's menu will include an egg-white omelet for breakfast and some fruit and hummus for lunch; three sleek dresses and maybe five pairs of super-high heels; several cigarettes smoked out the window of the SUV ferrying her and half of her eight-person entourage between appearances; and the Leonardo DiCaprio question, asked both obliquely and by a TV outlet.

The 23-year-old already has made the transition from Erin Heather Bubley of Skokie to Erin Heatherton of New York City and, increasingly, of the gossip columns; from Niles North Vikings basketball player and science nerd to full-fledged, wing-wearing Victoria's Secret supermodel who is in town with two other models to promote the 2012 edition of its Very Sexy line.

Then, she was planning to go to a good school somewhere warm, maybe become a scientist. Now, in the long aftermath of a modeling scout jumping out of a car to chase her down a street, her days are sometimes like this one, a minimarathon of Chicago media stops designed to help her principal employer sell more frilly underthings.

It's a transition both extraordinary and not in the least surprising to those who knew her when. But the big question for Heathertonby all accounts a driven, competitive and intelligent woman-is this: What, if anything, comes after achieving a modest amount of fame by wearing underwear well and, rumor



I'd rather do something where I can A) eat more and B) talk. I can't maintain the body of a 16-year-old anymore."

-Victoria's Secret model **Erin Heatherton** on her career ambitions

has it, dating a movie star?

Branded home goods are part of one possible future for her, says Heatherton's publicist, Rvan Brown.

"Hopefully, the goal for Erin is to make her like a Kathy Ireland, someone to turn things into a brand," Brown says. Or, perhaps, another Northern Illinois native. "Cindy Crawford, I think, is a perfect example," he says. "She's a Chicago native. Women related to her. Men related to her."

Heatherton is taking aromatherapy classes and has studied French, she says, but wants to try improv comedy.

"I mean, secretly, that's always what I wanted to do, I guess, in the back of my mind. But I realize that it's so hard to do it. I just appreciate it so much, to the point that it's like, you know, where a little boy dreams of being a rock star but doesn't know how to play guitar. So I guess throwing myself in there and doing a class, even though it would be truly humiliating, would be a really great thing for me.

"I feel like my job now is very much like that. It's not my personality. I mean, I act what I'm doing, in a sense, when I'm on these TV shows and doing interviews and repre-



what my personal life is. I'm here because of my hard work that I put in modeling, and I don't want anyone to look at anything else besides that."

senting Victoria's Secret. It's definitely not what I saw myself doing growing up. I always did sports, and I didn't like attention or the spotlight. I was scouted for modeling and just kind of adapted to it."

Modeling, she has learned, is about surfaces. "Nobody cares how hard you work. They'll book the girl that parties all night and shows up a mess. I like to work hard and see the results of my hard work."

It's why she says she's so thrilled to have landed with Victoria's Secret. It offers stability and the sense that she is building something, rather than scurrying from runway job to print job, scrambling to stay in demand. Plus, she feels valued as a person.

"I sat down with my agent," she says, "and said, 'Listen, I don't want to do [regular modeling] anymore.' You know, 'I want to have a voice. Everyone always tells me to shut up.' I'd rather do something where I can A) eat more"—she laughs—"and B) talk. I can't maintain the body of a 16-year-old anymore. That's just a really boring life to me. You really just cannot do anything fun ever."

Later in the day, she explains why she doesn't answer such questions: "It's really not important

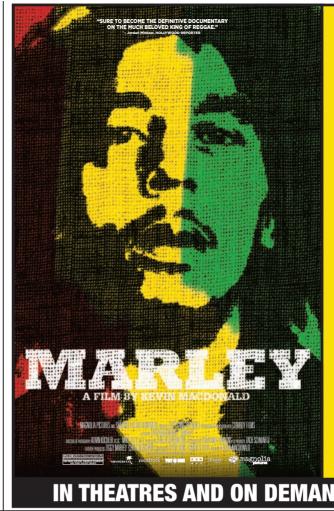
Ireland and her housewares line come up. "The dream is to be able to do something like that and not necessarily be such a face," Heatherton says.

"I want to be behind something, where I get to do more work and not need to, you know, put my face forward."











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## It's like 'Friends' without the funny



After burning off the charming "Bent" over three weeks. NBC is burying another one of its leftover sitcoms on Wednesday nights.

In other words, don't get too attached to "Best Friends Forever," the new comedy about two longtime friends who move in together after one gets divorce papers

from her hubby.

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Jessica St. Clair (Whitney from "Bridesmaids") plays Jessica Black, who moves from San Francisco back home to Brooklyn after said split and into the waiting arms and apartment of her BFF, Lenn (Lennon Parham). There's one catch when she gets there: Lenn is living with her boyfriend, Joe (Luka Jones), who eats chili, designs video games and organizes his weekends around watching football. Lenn and Jes-



sica, on the other hand, like to watch "Steel Magnolias," obsess about whether khaki pants make Jessica look fat and create

When Jessica makes Joe's office her bedroom "temporarily"—which in terms of

food-themed Sunday afternoon parties.



this show means until it gets canceled-Joe fights back, a little.

You see where this is going? All the humor in the pilot comes from the uncomfortable cohabitation of Joe with the two gals, which is a strong enough foundation for a sitcom.

If you think about it, Fox's "New Girl" has thrived on a reverse setup. Unlike "New Girl," however, "BFF" uses the most obvious male-female cliches.

"Best Friends Forever" does have St. Clair and Parham, who are appealing and genuinely funny ladies. And there are some honest and even funny moments in the first episode before everything falls back into hackneyed sitcom territory.

It's just too bad the real-life pals, who also wrote the show, haven't given themselves better material. It's going to take more than its one-dimensionality for "Best Friends Forever" to find friends among viewers.

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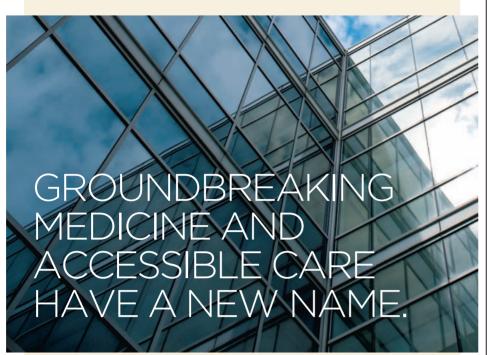
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## Can the world handle more 'Titanic' tears?

#### **Los Angeles Times**

In the late 1990s, a peculiar global fever broke out. Boys in Afghanistan began cutting their hair like Leonardo DiCaprio, girls in Japan held parties to weep together while listening to "My Heart Will Go On" and cruise line staffers had to keep peeling adventuresome passengers from the bows of their ships.

The whole world, it seemed, needed a good cry-and found it in the movie "Titanic," James Cameron's extravagant retelling of the luxury ocean liner's 1912 sinking. After its 1997 premiere, "Titanic" sailed on to gross \$1.8 billion globally, a record that would not be surpassed at the box office for 12 years—until Cameron's 2009 3-D fantasy "Avatar."

On Wednesday, "Titanic" is returning to theaters, this time in 3-D, in the U.S. and more than 100 other countries. In re-releasing his romantic disaster epic, Cameron is courting a broad audience of nostalgia-driven adults and fans who were too young to see "Titanic" on the big screen the first time around.

"Titanic" foreshadowed many trends in Hollywood—its then-jaw-dropping \$208 million production budget and global box office reach have since become standard among studios making fewer and costlier films with an eye toward international audiences.

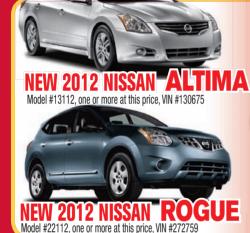
'We knew a film that played worldwide was critically important," Cameron said last week by phone, of whom he had in mind when writing "Titanic," which centers on a privileged 17-year-old girl (Kate Winslet) who falls for an artistic drifter (DiCaprio) against the backdrop of history's grandest nautical tragedy. Its themes of young love, class difference and courage in the face of disaster—not to mention the meticulously re-created spectacle of the ship's sinking—appealed to a wide audience.

"I guess I write in a way that critics who don't like me consider cliche, but audiences who do like me consider archetypes that they can invest in," added Cameron, who was in Tokyo for the Japanese premiere of "Titanic 3D." "I like relatively simple messages that are served up in lavish visuals. I don't want to be obscure about what I'm trying to say. Filmmaking is an instinctive process. You try to make a good movie and if it plays, it plays."

Fifteen years ago, "Titanic" played ... and played ... and played. In the U.S., the movie held the No. 1 spot at the box office for 15 consecutive weeks—a record that still stands and earned 11 Academy Awards.

"Titanic 3D" will not likely reach the box office heights of the film's initial release—industry analysts expect it to open at \$25 million to \$30 million in the U.S. But the movie will serve as a strong test case for the business model of 3-D re-releases, in which studios convert their catalog titles for stereoscopic viewing-often for about \$10 million—and market them as a new cinema-going experience.







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# theater JOY TO THE WORLD

## Second City cast member is no dummy—she just acts with one sometimes

#### **By Julia Borcherts**

FOR REDEYE

Amid rumors that Kristen Wiig is leaving "Saturday Night Live" at the end of this season, the show's team has been auditioning female comedians, including The Second City e.t.c. cast member Jessica Joy, who's been making a name for herself in the current production, "Sky's the Limit (Weather Permitting)."

Although she did not receive an offer from the "SNL" team at the conclusion of her audition in March, the Cleveland native—who moved to Chicago in 2005 to study at The Second City Training Center, began working on touring company and cruise ship productions in 2007 and joined the e.t.c. cast a year ago—is set to leave the cast when "Sky's the Limit" closes Sunday to pursue opportunities in New York. We called her to catch up.

## You've gotten great reviews in "Sky's the Limit." What's your favorite segment to do in that show?

This song that I wrote with our musical director called "Questions." It's based on some of the weird thoughts that I have and it's basically just a song that I sing before I'm about to die. My favorite ones are, "Why did I work out so hard to get a body like Britney Spears when I just could have waited for hers to get all [bleepy]?" And then I also have, "Is there a heaven for atheists where we can watch the Christians at the moment they realize that there's no heaven?"

#### What was required at the "SNL" audition?

They give you a week's notice and you have to do five minutes of original characters and then celebrity or political impressions.

#### Your celebrity impressions?

I did Fiona Apple, January Jones and Sofia Vergara.





### Did you create an original character for the audition?

During Second City rehearsals—they call it process—we try out completely different things every night and we just churn out so much material in three months that I had a stack of unused bits. So I used a couple of

## Sky's the Limit (Weather Permitting)

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those. One was actually a two-person scene I wrote [about] a racist ventriloquist who forces all of the really awful racist punchlines on his dummy. And then the dummy gets increasingly uncomfortable. When we did it in process, I was the dummy and my friend Michael was the ventriloquist and I end up killing him because I can't stand to be made to look like a racist. But I realize after I've killed my ventriloquist that I can't move. [Laughs.] So I borrowed an actual ventriloquist's dummy and just made it a one-person scene.

#### Did they give you feedback?

More than likely when they're interested in you, you're asked to stay and talk to Lorne Michaels and I wasn't, so I knew right away — I'm like, "OK, they're not considering me right now but they know who I am now."

#### What was it like to work on "The Playboy Club?"

You know, I've been a fan of the Playboy brand for awhile, specifically their early '60s times, after seeing "Mad Men" and all the other '60s-style shows. And I thought it was a cool take on that era because it was about girls who were breaking out of all that—you know, the first kind of feminists coming out. I had heard rumblings about people signing nudity contracts so I was like, "I'm just going to go and if it ever gets to that point, then I'll address it."

#### Did it?

No. My character was one of the bunnies who was working her way through medical school. There was a whole scene where I was describing to the girls something I'd done in school that day. I loved the scene and I thought it was interesting. And that's the thing that people I think got carried away with about "The Playboy Club." [Laughs.] It seemed like the last thing it was about was sex. Everyone was very covered up. Those outfits were super-tight but they sucked you in; they made you look great. It was just a colorful, fun show.





## **Cure inbox overload**

#### **Chicago Tribune**

Remember when it was a thrill to hear "you've got mail"? Now, sales pitches, alerts, receipts and newsletters clog inboxes and clutter minds

"It's a universal pain point," said Michael Kennedy, a technology entrepreneur and attorney. "About 70 percent of email that goes into someone's email box is transactional now. That's not spam. People are commercial beings. You want to participate, you want to get

But even if you've opted in, you don't want to sift through hundreds of commercial messages each morning to get to the one where your boss asked you to stop by—an hour ago.

That's why Kennedy and his business partners founded ZigMail, a free email service he describes as "your online transactional iden-

"It's not to replace your current email, it works with it," Kennedy said.

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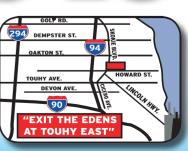


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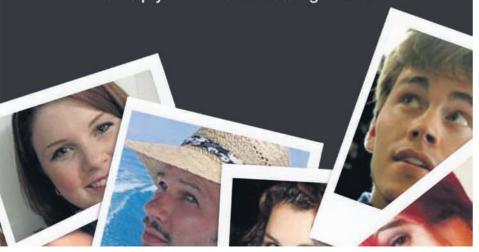
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#### **TODAY IN THE YEAR...**

1818: Congress decided the flag of the United States would consist of 13 red and white stripes and 20 stars, with a new star to be added for every new state of the union.

1989: Richard M. Daley won his first Chicago mayoral election, to a two-year term that completed the term of the late Harold Washington.

2003: Sammy Sosa of the Cubs became the 18th player to hit 500 career homers.

#### ACROSS

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- 34 Afternoon rest 36 All \_; listening
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- 38 Racing sled
- 39 Not well-lit
- 40 Row of seminar speakers 41 Long-tailed celestial body
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- 45 "\_a tough job but...' 46 Shore stroller
- 47 Accuse 50 Actor Rob \_ 51 Fuss & bother
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- 63 In a lazy way

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## He's so good at hosting, he might as well make a career of it By Dana Moran | REDEYE We aren't really regular viewers of the Tony Awards, but Neil Patrick Harris just might give us something to tune in for. The "How I Neil Patrick Harris Met Your Mother" star will host the night honoring achievements GETTY IMAGES FILE in theater for the third time in four years, producers announced Tuesday. After his tours of duty MCing the Tonys, Emmys and, er, TV Land awards, we're pretty much ready to give this guy a crownor just a bunch of other wacky gigs. Check out our top picks. DAMORAN@TRIBUNE.COM | @REDEYEDANA

#### Laser tag tournament

If there's one thing Neil's Barney Stinson loves almost as much as suits, it's this thrilling, life-or-death sport. And by "life-or-death," we mean "often played by Justin Bieber." But hey, he'd be able to provide the most accurate commentary in the history of glow-in-the-dark vests.

#### 2 Scripps National Spelling Bee

We imagine this would be a great chance for Neil's hidden stern side to come out. I'm sorry, you don't know how to spell "cymotrichous"? What have your parents been teaching you! (Side note: The actual winning word in 1984 was "luge." WHAT?!)

#### Oscars

Remember
when Alec Baldwin and
Steve Martin hosted the
Academy Awards a few
years ago, but everybody
got really, really excited
when NPH turned up during the musical number?
Yeah—imagine that, but for
2.5 hours. James Franco,
sit back down.

## Barnum & Bailey Circus

Things we don't get to see enough of: Neil in a top hat. Add a whip and some kicky striped pants, and you've got the recipe for an entire evening of fun.

#### 5 International Mr. Leather

We're not sure if this is Neil's bag, but we do know it's a great way to get him wandering the streets of Chicago, since our fair city hosts the event every May. We promise not to be the most obnoxious fans ever.

#### 'Jeopardy!'

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You know, he's fatter now—I'm thinner. It's true,

though!"

-Kate Winslet, to U.K. talk show "Daybreak," on the changes in appearance of Leonardo DiCaprio and herself since "Titanic" was released in 1997, according to vulture.com. The 3-D version is released Wednesday.

» Why does director James Cameron want to break your heart again? Turn to Page 34.



#### HOT DATE

JUNE 26 That's the release date for Fiona Apple's next album. "The Idler Wheel is Wiser Than the Driver of the Screw, and Whipping Cords Will Serve You More Than Ropes Will Ever Do." There are more words (23) in the title than there are tracks (10) on the album.



What does Colin Egglesfield want in a woman? "A girl who doesn't complain, who appreciates things and says thank you," Egglesfield, who grew up in the Chicago area and will star on Lifetime's "Client List," told usmagazine.com. Oh, and she should be a good cook. We're not complaining or anything, but that's a lot of demands!

**3.9 million** The number of viewers HBO recorded for the Season 2 premiere of "Game of Thrones"—up 74 percent from last season's debut. Including all three airings of the episode Sunday, the cable channel logged 6.3 million viewers, ew.com reports.

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> > **Get real** Spoiler alert: Not everything you

see on reality TV is authentic. auren Conradwho, BTW, appears

topless on the cover of Glamour-told the mag producers would text her talking points during filming of "The Hills." "That's why we were always checking our phones!" she said. And we thought they were keeping up with their stock portfolios ...

#### Eat him up

Tim Tebow: The man, the myth, the meat. NYC's famous Carnegie Deli is offering a "Jet Bow" sandwich that weighs about 4 pounds and costs \$22.22 to honor Tebow's trade to the New York Jets, CBS News reports. The sandwich consists of various meats, lettuce, tomatoes and, of course, a little cheese.

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